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Amendment

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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 1351

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(As Amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")

**"AN ACT CONCERNING PROGRESSIVE COST OF LIVING
ADJUSTMENTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS RECEIVING BENEFITS
FROM THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM."**

1 Strike out everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 10-183l of the general statutes is
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

5 (b) On and after [July 1, 1991] the effective date of this act, the
6 management of the system shall continue to be vested in the Teachers'
7 Retirement Board, which shall consist of [twelve] fourteen members
8 including the Commissioner of Social Services, the State Treasurer and
9 the Commissioner of Education, or their designees, who shall be
10 members of the board, ex officio. [On or before June 15, 1985, and
11 quadrennially thereafter, the members of such system shall elect from
12 their number, in a manner prescribed by said board, two persons to

13 serve as members of said board for terms of four years beginning July
14 first following such election. Both of such persons shall be active
15 teachers who shall be nominated by the members of the system who
16 are not retired and elected by all the members of the system.] On or
17 before July 1, 2001, and quadrennially thereafter, the Connecticut
18 Education Association shall appoint three persons who are active
19 teachers to serve as members of said board and the Connecticut
20 Federation of Educational and Professional Employees shall appoint
21 one person who is an active teacher to serve as a member of said
22 board. Such persons shall serve as members of said board for terms of
23 four years beginning July first following such appointment. On or
24 before July 1, [1991] 2003, and quadrennially thereafter, the members
25 of such system shall elect from their number, in a manner prescribed
26 by said board, [three] two persons to serve as members of said board
27 for terms of four years beginning July first following such election.
28 [Two of such] Such persons shall be retired teachers who shall be
29 nominated by the retired members of the system and elected by all the
30 members of the system. [and one shall be an active teacher who shall
31 be nominated by the members of the system who are not retired and
32 elected by all the members of the system.] If a vacancy occurs in the
33 positions filled by the [members of said system who are not retired,
34 said board shall elect a member of the system who is not retired]
35 Connecticut Education Association or the Connecticut Federation of
36 Educational and Professional Employees, said association or federation
37 shall appoint a person who is an active teacher to fill the unexpired
38 portion of the term. If a vacancy occurs in the positions filled by the
39 retired members of said system, said board shall elect a retired
40 member of the system to fill the unexpired portion of the term. The
41 Governor shall appoint five public members to said board in
42 accordance with the provisions of section 4-9a. The members of the
43 board shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for
44 any expenditures or loss of salary or wages which they incur through
45 service on the board. All decisions of the board shall require the
46 approval of [six] seven members of the board or a majority of the
47 members who are present, whichever is greater.

48 Sec. 2. Subsection (g) of section 10-183e of the general statutes is
49 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

50 (g) Any member who has been elected to a full-time or part-time
51 position in an organization which has been duly designated as the
52 teachers' representative or who has been elected to a full-time or part-
53 time position in [the] a state-wide, national or international teacher
54 bargaining organization [with which the local bargaining organization
55 is affiliated, under the provisions of section 10-153b,] may, during the
56 time [he] such member so serves, continue [his] such membership and
57 may make, or have made for [him] such member, payments of [his]
58 such member's contributions for such time, provided the organization
59 which such teacher represents shall pay the full actuarial cost that
60 would otherwise be incurred by the state for the time such teacher
61 serves in excess of one year. If payment is made during such periods or
62 at any time before retirement, such member shall receive credit for
63 such service and shall be considered as serving as a public school
64 teacher in the state for the purpose of computing length of service, and
65 for the purpose of computing average annual salary, and shall be
66 considered by the retirement board as though [he] such member were
67 remaining in [his] such member's latest teaching position.

68 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect from its passage."